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Webster Board of Selectmen's Meeting – September 8, 2008

7:00 P.M. Roll Call – Selectmen present: Chairman George Hashem, Thomas Mullins and David Klumb.

Selectman Klumb made a motion to accept the August 25, 2008 Minutes as written, seconded by Selectman Mullins and approved. The Board signed the payroll check and vendor manifests.

The Board signed three leave slips for Administrative Assistant Judith Jones. She also presented a spread sheet containing cost proposals received from seven assessing companies in response to Webster's RFP. As most of them came in today, they will be further reviewed prior to any decisions.

Road Agent Emmett Bean advised that he has been doing roadside mowing and is working on Pearson Hill in preparation for paving anticipated to be done on September 16, 2008.

Financial Administrator Wendy Pinkham presented a preliminary 2009 Budget for all Department Heads to get the process started. She noted that CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) of New Hampshire has requested that the Board consider putting \$500 in the 2009 Budget to support their non-profit organization. A request is anticipated from American Red Cross as well. Mrs. Jones noted that there has been interest expressed in bringing back Old Home Day, which the Board indicated they would be willing to discuss.

A request from Brendon and Donald Sprague for commercial use of their property on Battle Street for the purpose of a motor repair shop was received. Selectman Klumb made a motion to refer them to the Zoning Board of Adjustment; seconded by Selectman Mullins and so moved.

A draft of a "Certificate of Occupancy" was reviewed. Selectman Klumb made a motion to adopt this certificate as written to be effective immediately; seconded by Selectman Mullins and unanimously approved.

Contractor Rich Spofford will provide the Board with a quote to put metal flashing on the roof to prevent ice backup at the Town Hall. He was requested and agreed to provide a quote to shingle the entire building for future budgeting purposes.

A third request, with a one week turnaround, will be sent to Shawn Laliberte to provide the Board with a list of cars he has for sale at his residence on Battle Street.

The Board plans on hosting a Christmas Party with more details to come later.

Attorney Todd Fahey, with his client James Foote, met with the Board to discuss the water bars on the Class VI portion of Clough-Sanborn Hill Road. Attorney Fahey advised that this was a fact finding meeting stating that the water bars appear newly created as well as new breaks in Mr. Foote's stonewall which are intrusive to his property. Mr. Foote has recently restored his stonewalls. Selectman Mullins advised that the water bars, although they are not static, have been there for years as have been the breaks in the wall. Attorney Fahey advised that they have changed recently. Both parties agreed that the water has been diverted to both sides of the road. Selectman Mullins inquired as to where Mr. Foote thought the water should go with Mr. Foote indicating that ditches and culverts would suffice. Selectman Mullins indicated that the road would quickly wash out if this was the only diversion for the water, due to the steepness and length of the hill. Mr. Foote indicated that the road has been maintained for three seasons for years and inquired as to why it was now a Class VI road. Selectman Mullins advised that it is a Class VI road because it is not suitable for travel all year long. Chairman Hashem questioned Mr. Foote about the

changes with Attorney Fahey advising that the water bars were much larger, the breaks in the wall were new and the fact that silt was being diverted onto Mr. Foote's property. Selectman Mullins suggested that Prescriptive Easement might come into play. Attorney Fahey noted some other breaks in stonewalls on the Class V portion of the road. More details will be gathered prior to any decisions.

Clayton and Phyllis Longver met with the Board to discuss the use of the space over their garage on Longver Lane. They advised that in 2005 their daughter used the space over the garage as a bedroom, but has recently moved. They recently received a Special Exception for an Accessory Apartment but due to the Impact Fee have opted not to pursue that avenue. They have requested to have their other daughter move into the living area utilizing it in the same manner as it was previously used. The Board agreed that it was not in violation of the Zoning Ordinance, but that the space needs to meet approval of the Fire Chief for Life Safety Codes and requested that the Longvers get in touch with the Fire Chief.

Mary Jane Turcotte advised the Board that she will leave Pillsbury Lake Management as of September 20, 2008 after the elections. She thanked the Board for their cooperation and hopes that the Board will cooperate with the newly elected Management Members.

Mrs. Pinkham has received a progress letter from our Insurance carrier regarding a reimbursement claim paid by Geico for damage to a vehicle.

8:01 P.M. Selectman Klumb made a motion to go into non-public session per RSA 91-A:3 II (e) to discuss legal issues with Road Agent Emmett Bean; seconded by Selectman Mullins. Roll Call: Chairman Hashem – yes; Selectman Mullins – yes and Selectman Klumb – yes. Also in attendance were Susan Roberts and Mrs. Jones.

8:20 P.M. Chairman Hashem reconvened the meeting. He advised that legal issues were discussed and no decisions were made. Selectman Klumb made a motion to seal the minutes; seconded by Selectman Mullins and so approved. Mrs. Jones will write the minutes.

8:24 P.M. Selectman Klumb made a motion to adjourn this meeting; seconded by Selectman Mullins and so moved.

George K. Hashem

Thomas S. Mullins

David E. Klumb

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